

Mid-Project Proposal

Introduction:

The issue of Climate Change is threatening the existence of all humanity, it includes rising sea levels, ecosystem collapse and more frequent and severe weather. Rising temperatures from human-caused greenhouse gas emissions affects planet-wide systems causing drought and severe heat.

The goal of the proposed project is to predict whether there will be rain in the next day in Australia based on the previous data gathered between 2008 and 2017, our target feature is RainTomorrow.

The ability to predict rain will help farmers plan best crops to grow at which time, which will help decrease food shortage and sustain stable food supplies.

Features:

- Date: The date of observation.
- Location: The common name of the location of the weather station.
- MinTemp: The minimum temperature in degrees Celsius.
- MaxTemp: The maximum temperature in degrees Celsius.
- Rainfall: The amount of rainfall recorded for the day in mm.
- Evaporation: The so-called Class A pan evaporation (mm) in the 24 hours to 9am.

- Sunshine: The number of hours of bright sunshine in the day.
- WindGustDir: The direction of the strongest wind gust in the 24 hours to midnight.
- WindGustSpeed: The speed (km/h) of the strongest wind gust in the 24 hours to midnight.
- WindDir9am: Direction of the wind at 9am.
- WindDir3pm: Direction of the wind at 3pm.
- WindSpeed9am: Wind speed (km/hr) averaged over 10 minutes prior to 9am.
- WindSpeed3pm: Wind speed (km/hr) averaged over 10 minutes prior to 3pm.
- Humidity9am: Humidity (percent) at 9am.
- Humidity3pm: Humidity (percent) at 3pm.
- Pressure9am: Atmospheric pressure (hpa) reduced to mean sea level at 9am.
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- Cloud9am: Fraction of sky obscured by cloud at 9am. This is measured in "oktas", which are a unit of eighths.
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- Temp9am: Temperature (degrees C) at 9am.

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- RainToday: Boolean: 1 if precipitation (mm) in the 24 hours to 9am exceeds 1mm, otherwise 0.
- RainTomorrow: The amount of next day rain in mm. Used to create response variable RainTomorrow. A kind of measure of the "risk".

Questions:

- Does having rain today have an effect on whether it will rain the next or not?
- Does Minimum Temp have an effect on whether it will rain the next or not?
- Does Maximum Temp have an effect on whether it will rain the next or not?
- Does Sunshine have an effect on whether it will rain the next or not?
- Does WindGustSpeed have an effect on whether it will rain the next or not?
- Does Humidity have an effect on whether it will rain the next or not?
- Does Pressure have an effect on whether it will rain the next or not?